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anadromous fish up the Snake and Salmon rivers, the Salmon river in Idaho being one of the great migratory fish streams in the United States, and

Whereas, this organization knows of no known means by which the run of anadromous fish past the Nez Perce dam could be preserved, and does not believe that such means may be developed in the reasonably near future, and an alternate development on the Snake river which would not interfere with anadromous runs in the Salmon river has been proposed, and

Whereas, an analysis prepared by the staff of the Federal Power Commission demonstrates that the scheme of development alternate to Nez Perce can be made substantially equal in power and flood control benefits to Nez Perce, while preserving the Salmon river from development until it can be undertaken with complete safety to anadromous fish.

Now, therefore, the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners goes on record as opposing any further consideration of Nez Perce dam, a proven fish killer and a great blow to orderly development of natural resources and the preservation of wildlife,

And, be it further resolved that this organization endorses and supports the licensing and construction of Mountain Sheep-Pleasant Valley projects as an alternative to Nez Perce.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 24**

### **POLICY FOR USE OF FEDERAL AID FUNDS**

Whereas, the states of the United States of America have reaped great benefit from the use of funds derived from the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act and the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, by assembling a vast store of knowledge and recorded information regarding fish and wildlife management, and

Whereas, there now exists an increasing need for dissemination of this information to the public in order that the known improved wildlife and fish management methods may be put into practice, and

Whereas, it is recognized that the use of picture slides, printed bulletins, group lectures, and similar methods should be prepared and presented by skilled wildlife and fish management personnel attached to the state's wildlife and fisheries restoration divisions,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Las Vegas, Nevada, September 10, 1957, requests that the United States Department of the Interior maintain a policy permitting the necessary use of federal aid funds and personnel in presenting to the public and land-owners the findings of programs directly related to the project with which they are connected.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 25**

### **TULE LAKE REFUGE**

Whereas, the Klamath Basin, of which the Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge is an integral part, is the ancestral resting and feeding area for a major segment of migratory waterfowl in the Pacific Flyway, and

Whereas, the present type of waterfowl management is mutually beneficial to conservation, agricultural, and recreational interests through (1) providing for critical waterfowl needs, (2) alleviating damage to agriculture crops in the Klamath Basin, Sacramento, and San Joaquin Valleys, and (3) providing 45,000 man-days of public hunting annually at Tule Lake, and

Whereas, the continual shrinking of waterfowl habitat coupled with the phenomenal growth in human population throughout the western states makes it essential that remaining waterfowl habitat be preserved by every means possible.

Whereas, the Tule Lake Refuge is again threatened by homesteading which would destroy its present values, and

Whereas, this problem has been of vital concern to conservation organizations and agencies for several years as previously expressed through numerous resolutions and related expressions, and

Whereas, to protect this irreplaceable waterfowl area prompt and positive action should be taken both through immediate administrative action and followed by appropriate federal legislation,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners urges the Secretary of the Interior to immediately take such action as is necessary to permanently preserve the Tule Lake Refuge for waterfowl management.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 26**

### **FIREARMS REGULATION**

Whereas, the Internal Revenue Service has proposed a revision of the regulations issued under the authority of the Federal Firearms Act to control interstate commerce in firearms and pistol or revolver ammunition,

Whereas, Section 177.50 of the proposed regulation would require